

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner:

Gordon, Stephen T.

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Re:

Application of:

Mikko HANNINEN, et al.

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October 1, 2001

For:

METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SECURING

HORIZONTALLY LOADED CARGO UNITS TO A

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## PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231-1001

March 28, 2003

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a response to the Office Action dated January 29 2003 for one month from February 28, 2003 to March 29, 2003.

The extension fee of \$110.00 is submitted herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500518. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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